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IRON SPRINGS OPERATING CO., INC.
10115 Westwind Drive
Shreveport, LA 71106

July 9, 2004

Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
P O Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9275

Re: Detro #2, Serial # 214826
Hearing Application

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made by Iron Springs Operating Co., Inc. to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after ten (10) days legal notice to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters concerning the Upper Tuscaloosa zone in the Ashland Field, Natchitoches Parish, LA.

1. To determine that the Upper Tuscaloosa zone in the Ashland Field, Natchitoches Parish has been economically depleted of hydrocarbons and to allow for the disposal of produced saltwater into the subject sand (Injection & Mining Application No. 23573). The Upper Tuscaloosa zone is hereby defined as the sands encountered between the depths of 3110' and 3180' in the Iron Springs Operating Co., Inc. Detro #2 well, Serial # 214826, located in Section 1, T13N-R8W, Natchitoches Parish, LA.
2. To discuss any other matters that may be pertinent to this application concerning the Upper Tuscaloosa zone as deemed appropriate by the Commissioner of Conservation.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, a list of names and addresses of Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties to whom this application is being sent is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Shreveport District Office of Conservation. However, the list will be provided to any party requesting a copy. A diligent effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties, and Represented Parties as required by the Rules of Procedure.

Finally, there is enclosed our check in the amount of \$755.00 payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Sincerely:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. R. Savage', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Gary R. Savage

Cc: Mr. James Brouard

Interested Parties, Interested Owners, and Represented Parties